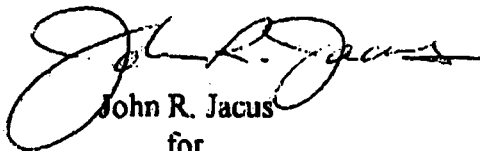


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Please feel free to contact me at this office if you should have any questions regarding this letter. I look forward to conferring with Ms. Swanson on behalf of Hecla Mining Company upon her return.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John R. Jacus", with a large, stylized initial "J" and a horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John R. Jacus

for

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cc: John N. Galbavy, Esq.